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SUBJECT: INNER-GERMAN NEGOTIATIONS -- TELTOW CANAL

REF: USBERLIN 1996

1. DEPARTMENT AGREES WITH MISSION VIEW THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO BASIC CHANGE IN SITUATION REGARDING TELTOW CANAL NEGOTIATIONS SINCE ISSUANCE OF BK/L (75) 31 LAST SUMMER. IN OUR VIEW, THE MATTER HAS ALREADY DRAGGED ON MUCH TOO LONG, CAUSING CONSIDERABLE HARD FEELINGS ON PART OF FRG AND SENAT AS WELL AS CONSIDERABLE DELAY IN COMMENCEMENT OF TECHNICAL TALKS ON CANAL REOPENING.

2. DEPARTMENT FEELS STRONGLY THAT SENAT SHOULD BE ALLOWED
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TO RESPOND TO GDR INVITATION TO OPEN DISCUSSIONS WITHOUT

WAITING FOR REPORT OF GAUS-SCHLIMPER TALKS. IF GDR
HANDLING OF TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS PROVES UNACCEPTABLE,
TALKS CAN BE BROKEN OFF WITH LITTLE DAMAGE TO WESTERN
POSITION.

3. EMBASSY BONN SHOULD RAISE QUESTION OF TECHNICAL TALKS
WITH FRENCH EMBASSY IN BONN. USBERLIN SHOULD ALSO MAKE
DEPARTMENT'S VIEWS KNOWN TO FRENCH AND UK AUTHORITIES IN
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